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SUBJECT: TVERDOKHLEBOV TRIAL; SENATOR JACKSON'S INTEREST

REF: MOSCOW 17949

1. DEPARTMENT OFFICER PASSED ON INFORMATION CONTAINED
REFTEL TO JACKSON AND CRANSTON OFFICES. SENATOR JACKSON'S
STAFF CLAIMED THAT INFORMATION WAS NOT RESPONSIVE TO
SENATOR'S TELEGRAM TO AMBASSADOR, SINCE SENATOR HAD
ASKED AMBASSADOR TO APPOINT EMBOFF TO ATTEND
TVERDOKHLEBOV TRIAL AS AN "OBSERVER" AND HAD REQUESTED
REPORT ON EMBASSY ACTION AND ON TRIAL ITSELF. JACKSON
STAFF SAID SENATOR WANTED TO "CLARIFY" HIS REQUEST.
ACCORDING TO JACKSON STAFF, SENATOR WOULD LIKE AMBASSADOR
TO "CONSIDER" ASKING SOVIETS OFFICIALLY AND IN ADVANCE
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THAT EMBOFF BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND TRIAL. SECONDLY,

SENATOR WISHES TO "URGE" AMBASSADOR THAT EMBOFF BE SENT TO SITE OF TRIAL WHEN IT BEGINS WITH A VIEW TO ATTENDING. STAFF SAID SENATOR WAS MORE INTERESTED IN DEMONSTRATION OF U.S. GOVERNMENT INTEREST IN CASE THAN REPORTING, WHICH STAFF REALIZED WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY WITHOUT ATTENDANCE AT TRIAL.

2. DEPARTMENT OFFICER DISCUSSED AT LENGTH VARIOUS CONSIDERATIONS IN BOTH KOVALEV AND TVERDOKHLEBOV CASES WITH JACKSON STAFF. THEY APPRECIATED INFORMATION PROVIDED BY EMBASSY BUT SAID SENATOR WOULD LIKE TO HEAR DIRECTLY FROM AMBASSADOR CONCERNING HIS REQUESTS.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO PROVIDE RESPONSE BY IMMEDIATE CABLE WHICH CAN BE PASSED TO SENATOR'S OFFICE. KISSINGER

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